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MEMORANDUM

POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JEFF KEPLEY, POLICE CHIEF *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: LOCALISM IN LUNADA BAY

DATE: MAY 21, 2015

Recently, an on-line story was published on LAlist.com regarding surfing localism and the associated conflicts in Lunada Bay. The story featured a hidden video which documented some of the attitudes and actions, of those believed to be locals, toward out-of-town surfers. This resulted in primetime news stories on the topic on K-Cal 9 and CBS2 news broadcasts on May 20, 2015.

During my tenure over the past year, I have heard of this issue and have been told stories of past incidents of vehicle tampering, etc. Although our Police Department does not receive surfing related complaints frequently, we do occasionally receive a call or complaint regarding harassment, intimidation, or vehicle tampering. According to our in-house police records, in 2014 officers filed three surfer-related reports. One was a report of someone letting the air out of the tires of a surfer's vehicle, while the other two were reports of verbal harassment. These complaints were direct calls from the victims and not as a result of news reports or third party callers. There have been no reports in 2015, but we have no way of knowing how many incidents may have occurred which were not reported.

As a historical perspective, the Police Department dealt with localism issues back in the early 1990s. During that time, our officers dealt with complaints of harassment wherein locals were "stealing" waves, letting air out of tires, and stealing personal property from out of town surfers. Perhaps the most significant incident occurred when one subject threw a rock at the head of another person during a fight. The subject who threw the rock was arrested, and the victim was hospitalized. A lawsuit was later filed by the victim against the aggressor, and the City. The City was later dropped from the lawsuit.

During the past several years, we have implemented several measures to address localism in the Lunada Bay area. These measures have included the following:

- Extra patrol with uniformed officers on high surf days
- Utilizing the ATVs to patrol the cliff's edge

- Having officers dress in plain clothes and drive unmarked vehicles to observe and interact with people along the cliffs and bluffs
- Undercover operations involving officers from our department and other agencies
- Boat patrols in Lunada Bay.

Our ocean patrol boat, which is dry docked and in need of replacement, would be useful to create a police presence in the bay during the time surfers are in the water. Additionally, we expect to have our Parkland Rangers in place by summer which will be another resource to patrol and maintain a presence on the bluff trails, shoreline, etc.

Our police department's duty and mission is to respect the rights of all people, not just the local residents. Police employees are to encourage all people, regardless of their residency, to report incidents so that officers can keep the peace, dissuade illegal or inappropriate conduct and behavior, as well as to track and monitor these incidents and adjust our presence and enforcement as appropriate.